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This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a concurrently filed divisional application of its parent application, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/359,475, that bears the same title, "Direct Antifreeze Cooled Fuel Cell", and that was filed on July 22, 1999 by the same inventors as the inventors of this divisional application. The 09/359,475 parent application is to issue on November 13, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,316,135. During the prosecution of that parent application, amendments were made to the specification and claims to resolve concerns raised by Examiner Stephen Kalafut. Additionally, claims were canceled from the parent application for purposes of presentation in the accompanying divisional application.

Therefore, in order to eliminate the prior concerns of the Examiner, to reference this divisional application to its parent application, to conform the "Abstract of the Disclosure" to contemporary requirements of being no longer than 150 words, and to present claims for consideration, please amend the accompanying divisional application as follows: